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TO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN PRIORITY

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SUBJECT: OPIC WEST AFRICA MISSION

REF: (A) ABIDJAN 2231; (B) ABIDJAN 1020

(C) ABIDJAN 1928

1. EMBASSY IS AUTHORIZED BY OPIC TO SPEND UP TO 400 DOLLARS
FOR RECEPTION MENTIONED REF(A).

2. WOULD APPRECIATE BREAKDOWN OF 1500 DOLLARS LOCAL TRANS-
PORTATION COST FOR SITE VISITS MENTIONED REF(B). IN OTHER
COUNTRIES MISSION HAS BEEN ABLE TO SECURE BUS FOR MAXIMUM
200 DOLLAR PER DAY AND ARRANGE PRIVATE CARS FOR SMALLER
GROUP VISITS FOR MUCH LESS. CAN GOIC PICK UP ANY COSTS
AT ALL?

3. MISSION CANNOT AFFORD COST OF INTER-IVOIRE PLANE
MENTIONED (REF(C)) FOR FERKE TRIP AND AIR IVOIRE ALTERNATIVE
INEFFICIENT. THEREFORE, PLEASE RESERVE 3 TO 4 SEATS ON
SODESUCRE PLANE AND WE WILL SEND AS MANY PARTICIPANTS AS WE
HAVE SEATS. ONE DEL MONTE AND HAI AND AAND B REP
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COULD GO OR ONLY FIRST TWO IF NECESSARY. BARNIE SILVER OF-

FERED TO ARRANGE TOUR OF PROJECT FOR GROUP AND DISCUSS
PROJECT'S EXPERIENCE. OPIC FEELS THIS WOULD BE VERY VALU-

ABLE. COULD BE FOLLOWED UP BY DISCUSSION WITH MINAG,
PEGUES AND OTHERS FAMILIAR PROJECT IN ABIDJAN.

4. FOR PARNELL; A AND B TEAM WILL NOT COMMENCE STUDY OF
CATTLE PROJECT UNTIL MARCH 25. AGREEMENT HAS BEEN SIGNED
AND ALL IS ON TRACK. VISIT TO SIGHT BY PARNELL AT HIS
DISCRETION. KISSINGER

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